

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Serial No. 10/586,283
Filing Date November 6, 2006
Inventor Kassem Ghorayeb
Group Art Unit..... 2128
Examiner Saif A. Alhija
Attorney's Docket No. 94.0052US
Confirmation No. 3037

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INTEGRATED RESERVOIR AND
SURFACE FACILITY NETWORKS SIMULATIONS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 18, 2011

To: Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

From: Mark C. Farrell Reg. No. 45,988
(Tel. 509-290-6316)
Farrell Patent Law PC
P.O. Box 142056
Spokane, WA 99214

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment and response is in reply to an Office Action dated August 18, 2011. Applicant submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests issuance of the subject application.

A **Statement of the Substance of an Examiner Interview** begins on page 3 of this response.

A **Listing of the Claims** begins on page 4 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this response.

- Claims 1-4 and 6-20 were previously pending.
- Claims 1, 2, 14, and 15 are currently amended.
- Claims 1-4 and 6-20 are currently pending.

Statement of Substance of Examiner Interview

Under 37 CFR 1.133

A telephonic Examiner interview between Examiner Saif A. Alhija and Applicant's counsel, Mark Farrell Reg. No. 45,988, was held on June 1, 2011 at 3:00pm EDT.

Claim 1 was discussed.

Prior art "Briens and Scott" were discussed.

Applicant argued that the parallel computing of the references does not anticipate the claims as presented. Specifically the claims are intended to recite a "universal adaptor" of sorts that controls the multiple simulators as slaves.

Agreement with respect to the allowability of any claim was not reached.